



THE HILLTOP '59

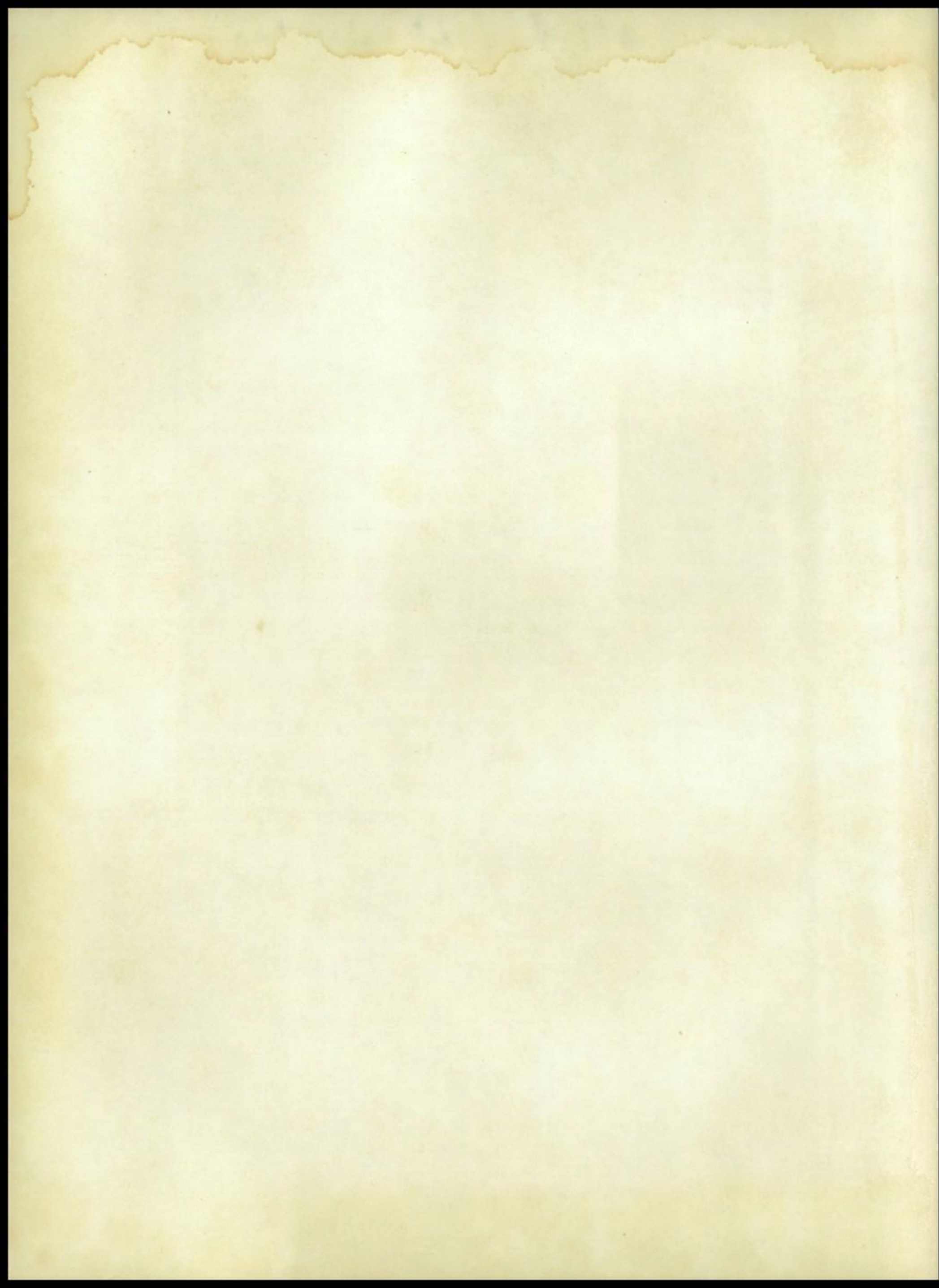






Gladys Meaman







# PLEASANTON RURAL HIGH SCHOOL

*Order*



1959

PLEASANTON, KANSAS



August	29 First Day of School
September	1 Labor Day
	15 Magazine Sale
	19 Football with Parker
	20 Safety Program
October	3 Football with Stanley
	8 Band to Moran
	10 Football with Uniontown
	15 "B" Team Football
	24 Football with Blue Mound
	25 Band to K.S.T.C.

# SCHEDULE



Of

## November

- 4 Football with Mound City
- 6-7 Teachers Meeting
- 11 Veterans Day
- 14 Football with Moran
- 19 All School Party
- 27-28 Thanksgiving Vacation
- 25 Football Banquet

## December

- 2 Basketball with Wellsville
- 3 Senior Chili Supper
- 5 Basketball with Moran
- 9 Basketball with Prescott
- 12 Basketball with Mound City
- 19 Junior Play
- 24 Christmas Vacation

## January

- 7 Basketball with Blue Mound
- 9 Basketball with LaCygne
- 20-23 Basketball Tournament at Uniontown

February	6 Basketball with Parker
	9 Basketball with Fulton
	12 Lincoln's Birthday
	17 Basketball with LaCygne
	20 Basketball with Prescott

March	13 Vocal Clinic at Uniontown
	20 Instrumental Clinic at Moran
	27-30 Easter Vacation

April	Senior Play
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May	15-16 Senior Trip
	12 Junior-Senior Banquet
	24 Baccalaureate
	26 Commencement
	27 Last Day of School

# EVENTS





# RING MASTER

Pleasanton Rural High School  
Pleasanton, Kansas



Dear Students:

Each passing school year brings you closer to the time when you must make a decision--a very important decision.

Every opportunity offered to you in school prepares you to make a better decision when that time comes. Most of you have taken advantage of these opportunities and have had a profitable school year and a happy one.

I wish to congratulate the Seniors who will graduate this spring. I hope each of you will have the opportunity of continuing your education at some college or university.

Congratulations, too, to the underclassmen; you are one step nearer to graduation.

I especially want to congratulate and thank the Annual Staff for recording the events of the year in this outstanding issue of the HILLTOP.

Very sincerely yours,

J. B. Forsyth, Superintendent



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Otto Henderson, Director



Robert Hall, Clerk



Max Miller, Treasurer

Our sincere appreciation goes to the members of the Board of Education, each of whom has taken a personal interest in making the decisions and solving the problems involving our high school and student body. We feel very fortunate to have had these capable public servants as our guide and friends during the past year.

## *BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

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# MASTERS OF CEREMONIES



At last we have arrived at the end of another school year. For some students it marks the end of their formal schooling, while for others it is only the beginning of their advanced education. We have been so occupied with sports, drama, music, and exams, that we have scarcely noticed the swift passing of time.

In this edition of the HILLTOP, we have endeavored to give recognition to every activity throughout the year in order to include the phase of high school that each student particularly enjoyed. We hope this record will serve as a treasure chest of your lasting memories at P. R. H. S.

We would like to give special recognition to our sponsor and the other members of the Hilltop Staff, without whose efficient help and co-operation we would never have reached the completion date as scheduled. Thank you for a job well done.

Sincerely yours,

*Phyllis L. Wheelock*

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She has time for both work and play, and does both in the very best way.



GEORGE PARKER, Secretary  
Not that I don't love study, but I love mischief more.

DONNA ROBINSON, Treasurer  
Quietly she works away, faithful to every duty.



KIMBER BARRIER, Student Council Representative.  
His friends are many, his foes, has he any?



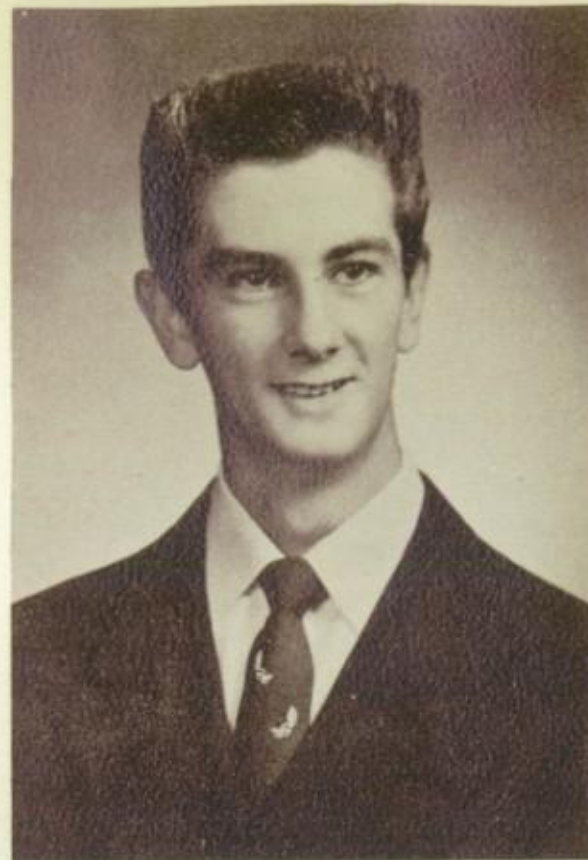
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fun as well as we.



ROBERT ARNOLD

Let not woman's weapons stain my  
manly cheek.

CHARLENE COURTOIS

Can't cook, can't draw, don't re-  
semble Venus, can't sing, can't  
write, guess I'm just a genius.



WILLIAM WYANT

I'm satisfied with myself so why  
should I worry.







LEONARD SMITH

Beneath his nose, above his chin,  
Always a smile and ready grin!



BONNIE MORRISON

If giggles were golden, she'd be a  
millionaire.



WILLIAM MILLER

I believe in taking life easy.



BARBARA GRIFFITH

The finer things of life she loves,  
and Charlie too.



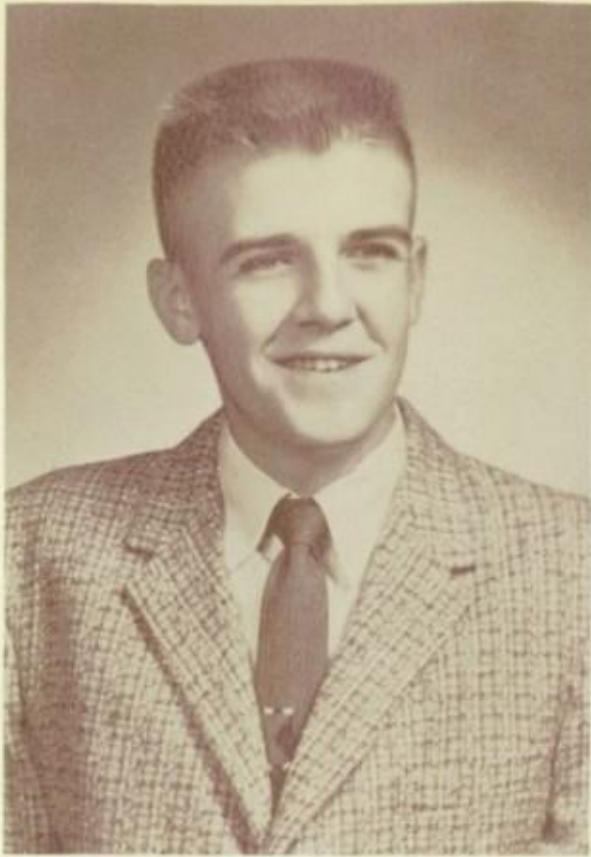
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He hath an expression of sleep upon  
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One can't know everything, so why ask me...?



JOYCE SEARL  
I would rather be small and shine than large and cast a shadow.

RICHARD McCOY  
Girls are a nuisance, but I wouldn't mind having one.



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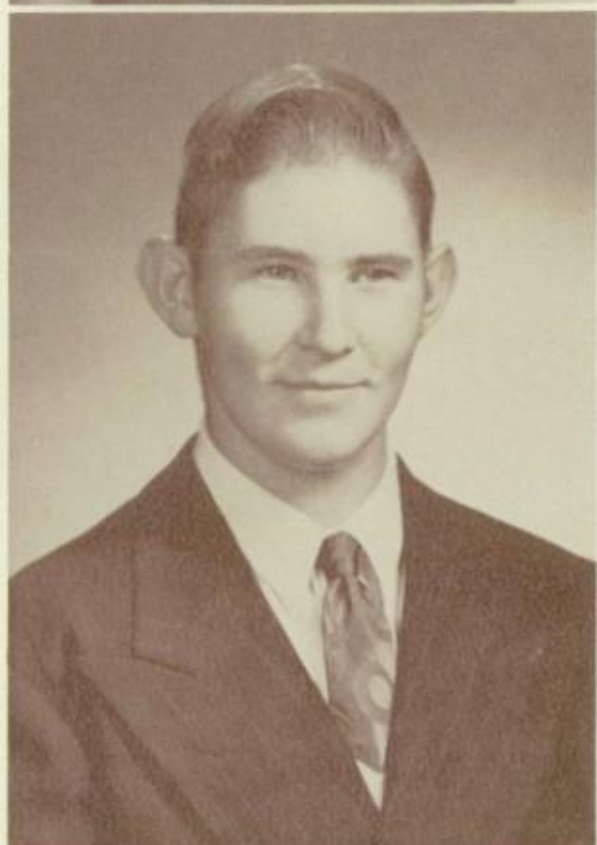
MAXINE POINTER  
Aim to be a housewife and a mother.



FREDERICK LAUDAN  
I might do something sensational  
yet.

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JAMES HAYES  
Never do today what you can put  
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# SENIOR ACHIEVEMENTS

ROBERT ARNOLD-Boys Glee Club 1-4; Office 3; Librarian 4; Football 1; Basketball 1.

KIMBER BARRIER-Class Officer 1-3; Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Track 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Student Council 4; Junior Play 3; Carnival King 1; Band 1-2-3-4; Annual Staff 3-4; Saxophone Sextette 3-4.

BLAYNE CAMP-Band 2-3.

JOYCE CARPENTER-Band 1-2-3-4; Asst. Band Director 4; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Girls Sextette 2-3; Double Quartet 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Brass Sextette 3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Junior Play 3.

KAY CARPENTER-Homcoming Queen 4; Junior Play 3; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Officer 2-4; Pep Club 1-2-3; Centennial Queen Attendant 3; Student Council President 4; Carnival Queen 2; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Editor 3; Asst. Editor 3; Class Officer 1; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Annual Staff 3-4.

JERRY COBURN-Boys Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band 2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Class Officer 4; Football 1-2-3-4; Student Council 3; Hilltop King Candidate 2; Junior Play 3; Annual Staff 2.

CHARLENE COURTOIS-Pep Club 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Pep Club Officer 4; F. H. A. Officer 4; Annual Staff 3; Librarian 4.

SHARON COX-Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3; Pep Club 1-2-3-4.

LEROY DANIEL-Boys Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Football 1-3; Basketball 2; Junior Play 3; Hilltop King Candidate 3; Class Officer 3.

LARRY GEORGE-Football 1-2; Boys Glee Club 1-2-3.

BARBARA GRIFFITH-Majorette 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Junior Play 3; Blu Jay Staff 4.

JAMES HAYES-Junior Play 3; Boys Glee Club 1-2-3-4.

MARSHA KA HOAG-F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Drum Major 4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Editor 4; Clarinet Quartet 3-4; Annual Staff 2.

MARY JO HOOVER-Class Officer 1-2-3-4; Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; Officer 4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Officer 3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Hilltop Queen Candidate 4; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Co-Editor 4; Annual Staff 3-4; Student Council Officer 4; D. A. R. Scholarship 4; Office 3; Librarian 2-4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4.

FRANCILE JAMES-Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Officer 3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Officer 4; Student Director 4; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Hilltop Staff 1-2; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Double Quartet 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Junior Play 3; Girls Sextette 2; Flute Trio 3-4; Accompanist for Boys Double Quartet 3.

FREDERICK JOSEPH LAUDAN-Football 1-2-3; Glee Club 1-2-3; Basketball 2.

FRANCIS LINDELL-Annual Staff 4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2; Mixed Chorus 4; Track 3-4.

DOROTHY MALONEY-Glee Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4.

DETTIE LOU McCHESNEY-Band 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Carnival Queen Candidate 3; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4.

RICHARD McCOY-Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2; Junior Play 3; Track 3-4; Mixed Chorus 4.

WILLIAM MILLER-Basketball 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2-3-4; Track 3; Band 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Junior Play 3; Saxophone Sextette 2-3.

BONNIE MORRISON-Pep Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Accompanist Boys Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Band Officer 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Girls Sextette 3; Girls Double Quartet 2; Annual Staff 4; Blu Jay Staff 4; F. H. A. Officer 1-2.

GEORGE PARKER-Band 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Basketball 2-3-4; Class Officer 3-4; Student Council 4; Hilltop Candidate 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Junior Play 3.

MAXINE YVONNE POINTER-Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4.

DONNA ROBINSON-Majorette 1-2-3-4; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4; Officer 4; Annual Staff 1-4; Class Officer 2-4; Junior Play 3; Blu Jay Staff 4; Mixed Chorus 4.

JOYCE SEARL-Girls Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Girls Sextette 3; Band 1-2-3-4; Annual Staff 2; Blu Jay Staff 4; Hilltop Queen Candidate 2; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3-4.

LEONARD SMITH-Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Football 1; Track 1; Junior Play 3; Carnival King Candidate 3; Class Officer 2.

MARION TROTH-Glee Club 1-2; Football 1-2.

DONALD WARD-Basketball 1-2-3-4; Track 2-3-4; Football 1-2; King Carnival 2; Annual Staff 3.

PHYLLIS WHEELOCK-Class Officer 1-2; Band 1-2-3-4; Officer 3; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 4; Hilltop Queen Candidate 3; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Student Council 3-4; Blu Jay Staff 3-4; Editor 3; Office 2; Junior Play 3; Annual Staff 3-4; Editor 4; F. H. A. 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-2-3; Student Council Officer 4; F. H. A. Officer 1-2-3; Pep Club Officer 3; Double Quartette 2; Girls Sextette 3; Saxophone Sextette 2-3; Librarian 3.

WILLIAM WYANT-Track 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2-4; Junior Play 3; Glee Club 1-2-3-4.



# *CLASS HISTORY*

Now as we, "The Seniors of 59", are ready for another large step in the future, we look back upon the past four years spent at Pleasanton Rural High School. We look back to one of our most successful years at PRHS, the Freshman year.

A group of thirty-eight Freshmen began their long struggle for their high school diploma in September 1955. We received excellent guidance and encouragement from our sponsors Mr. Stegge and Mr. Washler. The class chose as their officers the following students: President, Kay Carpenter; Vice-President, Kim Barrier; Secretary, Phyllis Wheelock; and Treasurer, Mary Jo Hoover.

The highlights of this year were the Carnival Queen and King contests. Virginia Stiffler and Kim Barrier were crowned King and Queen. Mary Jo Hoover and George Parker were defeated for the Hilltop Royalty. We were also successful in winning the magazine contest.

Our Sophomore year began with Mr. Stegge and Miss Miller as our sponsors. We elected Mary Jo Hoover, President; Joyce Carpenter, Vice-President; Donna Robinson, Secretary; and Leonard Smith, Treasurer.

We chose for our Carnival Queen and King candidates Kay Carpenter and Donnie Ward. Again we won a victory over a hard battle. We lost the Hilltop King and Queen contest with Joyce Searl and Jerry Coburn our candidates.

Kim Barrier was elected President our Junior year. Other officers elected were: Vice-President, Phyllis Wheelock; Secretary, Leroy Daniels; and Treasurer, George Parker. Miss Yencic and Mr. Stegge were our sponsors. We chose as our Carnival King and Queen candidates Leonard Smith and Dettie Lou McChesney. Phyllis Wheelock and Leroy Daniels were our Hilltop candidates. Both times we were defeated. The Junior Play, "Desperate Ambrose", under the direction of Mrs. Marrs, was a great success. On May 7, we honored the Seniors with the Junior-Senior Banquet. The theme was "Outer Space."

Now, we are realizing our high school dreams. We are the Seniors of "59". We were very happy to have Mr. Stegge back with us again this year. He has been one of our very capable sponsors every year. Our other sponsor is Mr. Blackman. Officers elected this year were: President, Jerry Coburn; Vice-President, Mary Jo Hoover; Secretary, George Parker; and Treasurer, Donna Robinson. At the time of this writing, many events have not yet taken place. But we, the Seniors, are looking forward to Baccalaureate and Commencement, the climax and ending of our high school days. So remember Seniors, our future is only what we make it. Let's be satisfied with only the best.

## CLASS MOTTO

"A friend is a jewel  
that shines brightest in the darkness."

CLASS FLOWER  
Carnation

CLASS COLORS  
Blue and Silver



# *PROPHECY*

It is now the year 1975 and there is a class reunion being held consisting of the Senior Class of "59".

The group met at the Tip Toe Inn with Charlene Courtois as their hostess. She feels quite at home here as this is where all twelve of her children were reared. I wonder why here...??? The orchestra was provided by Kim Barrier and his Glamour Boys--Bill Miller and Leroy Daniel. Kim flew here from Hollywood on the American Airlines managed by Larry George. The pilot of the American Airlines plane that Kim flew out on was none other than Fred Laudan. The Airline Hostess was Bonnie Morrison. The entertainment for the event was provided by the famous Parker dancing team. They have originated a new dance called the Hula Hoop Waltz. The vocalist for the Glamour Boys, Jerry Curnburn sang "Dear Old Pleasanton". Hollywood actress, Dettie McChesney, who flew out for the occasion was Mistress of Ceremonies.

There were a few regrets, it seems. One of these was the fact that Joyce Carpenter was in the Mrs. America contest but was only a runner-up as she didn't have quite enough children. Phyllis Wheelock was another who couldn't be there as she is studying opera in Italy. Mary Jo Hoover (who couldn't be there either) it seems, has reared a big family and it is really keeping her busy. She even had to borrow one of her fathers school buses because their station wagon was too small. Do you remember Kay Carpenter, the Student Body President during 1958-59? Well, she is the present lady Governor of Texas. Her most important conferences are with construction companies.

The main course for the meal was furnished by Leonard Smith and Marion Troth. They own a fish hatchery here in Pleasanton. It was prepared by Marsha Kay Hoag and Barbara Griffith's little butcher boys.

Hollywood film star, Donna Robinson, came in swathed in mink followed by her devoted husband, Donnie Ward. Blayne Camp appeared at the reunion with a fascinating brunette. Even Joyce Searl, the noted journalist, couldn't find out who she was.

Francis Lindell has apparently made scads of money from his bee hives. He sent the loveliest corsages to all the gals from Maloney's Flower Shop here in Pleasanton; Richard McCoy was flitting around making sure that everyone had champagne so that a toast could be made to the occasion. The brightest faces in the staglines were those of Robert Arnold, Bill Wyant, and Jimmie Hayes.

Maxine Pointer and Sharon Cox won the applause for being the youngest grandmothers there!

The event was terminated with a dance with the sweetest music this side of heaven conducted by Francile James.

This concludes the prophecy of the Senior Class of "59". May the happy and unforgettable memories of our high school life remain with us always.



# CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of 1959, being of unsound mind do hereby make, publish, and declare this, our last will and testament, revoking all former wills made in response to please, requests, and bribes of whatever nature to us made by those underclassmen designating upon being our heirs.

We will to the Seniors of 1960 our dignified ways and the ability to graduate with honors.

To the faculty, we will the ability to have students who know less than they.

To Mr. Forsyth, our superintendent, we leave an oncoming class which will do all the things we left undone and replace all the school property that we destroyed or damaged.

To Mrs. Forsyth, we will all the eraser crumbs we left in and under the typewriters, and also the miles of adding machine tape we used in efforts to find our bookkeeping errors.

We leave to Miss Yencic the biscuits, pancakes, fallen cakes, etc. which we were supposed to have eaten but didn't. She will be able to find most of these under the cooking units and in the far corners of the drawers of each unit.

To Mr. Barnes, we will the ability to have the best football team in Linn County.

We leave all the left-over beans from our Chili Supper to Mr. Blackman.

To Mr. Stegge, we leave the many pleasant memories which have been associated with the sponsoring of our class for the past three years.

To Mrs. James, we bequeath an English IV Class with no talking, giggling, or whispering. (That is providing that Roy Staton and Jerry Shaw don't enroll in English IV next year.)

To our band leader, Mr. Wood, we leave a band that has plenty of breath support, but many, many left feet.

We leave to Mr. Washler the initial-carved desks in study hall with the suggestion that he let Frank Grosshart sand them next year in his spare time.

To our faithful janitor, Harry Carpenter, we bequeath the privilege of disturbing classes to see if it is warm enough.

To Mrs. Stegge, our secretary, we leave an abundance of "good excuses" which we gave her to put on our absence slips.

To our underclassmen, the individual members of the class do will and bequeath the following:

George Parker wills his ability of making love to the girls to David Bradley. If you can manage it well, David, it should bring you as much success as it has George.

Leroy Daniel leaves his class ring to anyone who can get it. He never could keep it on his finger anyway.

To "Charm" Larry Kipper, Phyllis Wheelock wills her ability to stay on the good side of all her teachers. She feels he will need it before he graduates.

Blayne Camp wills his ability of helping his girlfriends into "Dad's car" to anyone who can manage it.

Bonnie Morrison bequeaths her honorable position of Boys Glee Club Accompanist to anyone who qualifies. A few of the qualifications are: big blue eyes, silken soft, blonde hair, a sweet smile, and a Jane Mansfield figure.

Barbara Griffith refuses to will any of her valuable possessions as she says she is going to marry the only thing she has to give away.

Kay Carpenter wills her good night hugs and kisses to Ruth Ann Foster, because she is afraid that is the only way Ruth Ann will get any.

Jerry Coburn bequeaths his nickname, "Mr. Success", to C. H. Parker, hoping that C. H. will be more deserving of it than he was.

Donna Robinson wills her ability to sleep through World Geography Class without falling out of her chair to Johnny "Bright Eyes" Johnson.

Larry George leaves to David Endicott all his excess pounds because he thinks David will need them to make the 1959-60 football team.

Donnie Ward passes on to "studious" Raymond Burch all the American History lessons that he couldn't or wouldn't get, and hopes that Raymond will have better luck with them than he had.

Francis Lindell leaves his basketball suit to Jake Bishop and he requests that Jake doesn't wear out the seat of it.

Joyce Carpenter wills her big brown eyes and winning smile to Letty Jane Baugh so Letty will have a "head start" in getting her man.

Charlene Courtois wills her uncontrollable mischievousness to anyone who can get away with her "pranks" without getting caught.

Kim Barrier wills his seat in study hall with all his favorite girls initials on it to Charlie Hoskins. Take care of it, Charlie.

Marion Troth bequeaths his long, black, cigars to anyone who can survive the aroma.

Bill Wyant wills to Richard Fultz his last year's play book, along with the part of "Stinkweed".

Francile James bequeaths her short hair cuts to Leola Conley and her singing ability to Sonny "Sing Boy" Harkness.

To Elwood Blevins, Joyce Searl wills her hot rod driving providing that he doesn't get caught.

Mary Jo Hoover bequeaths her cheerleading ability to any girl who thinks she can jump as high and yell as loud as she has for the past three years.

Leonard Smith leaves his record of attending all the class parties and eating more than anyone else there to Howard Ellis. Leonard feels sure that Howard will keep this record.

Dettie Lou McChesney leaves all of her old boyfriends to Anna Lee Hamilton and she hopes Anna Lee will take better care of them than she did.

Robert Arnold wills nothing, simply because he has nothing.

Bill Miller bequeaths all his worn out car parts to Donnie Zeigler. If Donnie saves them, he will soon have enough to build a car of his own.

Jimmy Hayes wills her freckles and "toni waves" to Robert Snow, who really needs neither, but would feel left out if he didn't receive something.

Marsha Kay Hoag bequeaths her majorette boots to Katherine Cummins, providing that they don't pinch her toes when turning a square corner.

Richard McCoy wills all his farm machinery to Darrel Nation so he can "raise Cain."

Fred Laudan leaves a set of unused books to Larry Kimberling. He thinks he can, in his way, keep them new.

Dorothy Maloney wills her height to Jerry Shaw so he will be big enough to play basketball next year.

Sharon Cox wills her quiet ways and ability to play hookey to Louetta Cox.

Maxine Pointer bequeaths her ability to stay out of trouble--most of the time--to Bill Basore.

To the Pleasanton Rural High School Students, we further will our ability to work hard. To each and everyone we pass our friendships and our troubles, but we take with us the many pleasant memories of the four years we have spent here.

The above WILL, attested and sworn to on this twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifty-nine.

WITNESSES:

*Donna Robinson*  
*Phyllis Wheelock*





Vice-President  
Sharon Wortman

# *JUNIORS*

## *BLUE*

## *RIBBON*



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The purpose of this organization is to promote, among students, a knowledge and interest in good government; to encourage students to accept and discharge their responsibilities to themselves and their school; to stimulate a spirit of cooperation among the students and faculty, and to aid in the development of loyal, constructive school spirit.

The officers elected for this organization were: President, Kay Carpenter; Vice President, Janet Murray, Junior Class; Secretary, Mary Jo Hoover, Blu Jay Staff; Treasurer, Phyllis Wheelock, Music. The other members of the Council chosen from various departments were: Chuck Hoover, Freshman Class; Connie Umphenour, Sophomore Class; Kim Barrier, Senior Class, Kay Arnold, Pep Club; Sharon Wortman, F. H. A., and George Parker, Athletics.

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Back Row: J. Murray, Sisson, Bradley, Coburn, Smith, Morris, Farley, McCoy, Cummins. Third Row: M. Daniels, B. Carpenter, Branstetter, Kipper, Johnson, D. Carpenter, Klopfenstein, L. Daniels, J. Carpenter. Second Row: B. Wood; Director, F. James, Searl, J. McGinnis, J. James, P. Barrier, Miller, G. Parker, Foster, J. Murray, R. Fultz, K. Barrier, P. Wheelock. First Row: N. Hoag, F. Cox, P. Hoag, Stevanus, Hardy, R. Fultz, Lindell, Ellis, Kimzey, McChesney, L. Cox, Morrison, C. Parker. Twirlers: B. McGinnis, Griffith, Robinson, M. Fultz, Umphenour. Drum Major: M. Hoag.

## BAND EVENTS

The Pleasanton High School Band, so capably directed by Mr. Byrne Wood, has had a very eventful year. The forty eight members that make up the band, work on a merit system that has proved very satisfactory. The band officers are as follows: President, Francile James; Vice President, Jerry Coburn; Secretary, Bonnie Morrison; Treasurer, Kim Barrier; Librarian, Louetta Cox.

The band willingly participated in the following events: Moran Day Parade, Oct. 8; Pleasanton Homecoming, Oct. 17; Band Day At K. S. T. C., Oct. 25; Memorial Day Parade at Mound City, Nov. 11; Instrumental Festival at Moran, Mar. 20; Band Concert, Mar. 18; and a District Music Festival, Apr. 3 and 4.



## *MIXED CHORUS*



Top Row: C. Parker, Bradley, L. Smith, Coburn, McCoy, Lindell, Miller, Johnson, G. Parker, Barrier, R. Smith, Brown. Bottom Row: Carpenter, McGinnis, James, Wheelock, Robinson, McMillan, Morris, Foster, Cox, Murray, Morrison, Searl. Director, Mr. Byrne Wood.

## *MARCHING BAND*





## *GIRLS' GLEE CLUB*



Back Row: Cummins, Stevanus, M. Fultz, R. Fultz, Kimsey, Hoover, Umphenour, Foster, Morris, Hamilton, S. Cox, Pointer, Courtois, Arnold, Harkness. Third Row: Weems, Epps, Saben, Foss, Graham, Lindell, McMillan, Willes, McCoy, Rhoades, Estle, Purdy, Ayres, Fisher, Hardy, L. Cox, McChesney, Griffith, Miller, Searl. First Row: Leisure, James, Wilkerson, B. McGinnis, Wheelock, K. Carpenter, Hoag, J. Carpenter, J. McGinnis, Murray, Morrison.

## *BOYS' GLEE CLUB*



Back Row: Camp, Arnold, Hoskins, Shaw, Hayes, Leonard, Wyant, L. Smith. Third Row: Brown, Daniels, Ellis, Ward, Estle, Unphenour, Hoover, Klopfenstein. Second Row: Coburn, R. Smith, Johnson, Purdy, McCoy, G. Parker, C. Parker, B. Wood; Director. First Row: Troth, Bradley, Miller, Lindell, Barrier, Fultz, C. Smith, Harkness, Morrison; Pianist.



## *PUBLICITY COMMITTEE BLU-JAY STAFF*



Standing: Blayne Camp, Kay Carpenter, Mrs. Forsyth, Joyce Carpenter, Donna Robinson, Francile James, Mrs. James.  
Seated: Joyce Searl, Barbara Griffith, David Bradley, Marsha Hoag, Mary Hoover, Dettie McChesney, Bonnie Morrison, Phyllis Wheelock.

## *COSTUME DESIGNERS F. H. A.*



First row: McMillian, Song Leader; Wortman, Student Council Rep., Murray, Vice-Pres., James, Pianist; Hoover, Pres., Carpenter, Sec., Stevanus, Treas., McGinnis, Parl. Second row: McChesney, Harkness, Miller, Cummins, Leisure, Umphenour, Wheelock, Cox, Hoag, Carpenter, Morrison, Hardy, Searl, McGinnis, Barrier. Third row: Fultz, Courtois, Epps, Weems, Foss, Graham, Rhodes, Wilkerson, Rhodes, Fultz, Fisher, Ayres, Arnold, Robinson, Griffith, Cox, Conley. Fourth row: Miss Yencic, Cox, Baugh, Maloney, Sabine, Patterson, Lindell, Foster, Morris, Wiles, Hamilton, Kimzey, Purdy, Estle, McCoy, Pointer.



## *SPECTATORS— CHEERLEADERS*



Ruth Ann Foster, Junior; Pat Stevanus, Freshman; Francile James, Senior; Mary Jo Hoover, Senior.

## *PEP CLUB*



Cheerleaders: Hoover, James, Stevanua, Foster. First row: L. Cox, B. McGinnis, Murray, Hardy, Purdy, Hamilton, Epps, Carpenter, Leisure, Morris, Foss, M. Fultz, Barrier, Cummins, J. Rhodes, Baugh, Harkness, McChesney, Morrison. Second row: J. Rhodes, Conley, Graham, Fisher, Kimzey, Wilkerson, Miller, Ayres, McCoy, Lindell, Wortman, Umphenour, Hoag, S. Cox, J. Cox, Weems, Estle, Wiles. Third row: J. McGinnis, Treas.; Courtois, Sec.; Robinson, Pres.; R. Fultz, Vice-Pres.; Arnold, Student Council Rep.





# Homecoming



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# THE LAST ROUND UP



Tommy Basore, Evelyn Wilkerson; John Johnson, Sharon Wortman; King Francis Lindell, Queen Francile James; Connie Umphenour, Roger Reinsch; Phyllis Wheelock, Crown Bearers, Joyce Wheelock, Mike Hall



Freshmen



Homecoming Crown Bearers  
Karen Burkhead, J.R. Miller



Seniors



Juniors



Sophomores



F.H.A.



# FOOTBALL



First Row: C.H. Parker, Joe Smith, David Endicott, Roy Staton, Tommy Basore, Edward Umphenour, Philip Estle. Second Row: Bill Wyant, Bill Basore, Jimmy Smith, Dean Jackson, J.C. Bishop, Clarence Estle, Howard Ellis, Marvin Wilcut. Third Row: Coach Wilbur Barnes, Dean Estle, Kim Barrier, Jerry Coburn, George Parker, Leroy Hoskins, Francis Lindell, Jerry Shaw, Bill Miller, Johnny Johnson, Manager Chuck Hoover.



9-19	PRHS	6	Uniontown	7
10- 3	PRHS	2	Stanley	12
10-10	PRHS	13	Parker	40
10-17	PRHS	0	LaCygne	19
10-24	PRHS	0	Blue Mound	28
11- 4	PRHS	6	Mound City	33
11-14	PRHS	0	Moran	32



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## *"A" TEAM*



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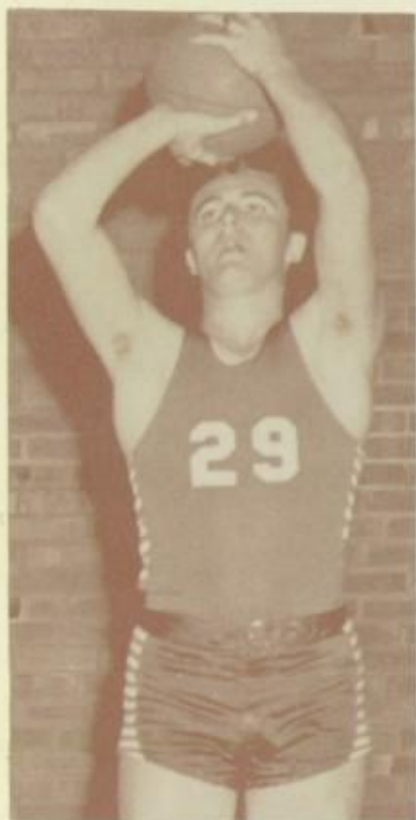
## *"B" TEAM*



First row: Dean Jackson, Russel Purdy, Jerry Purdy, Dean Smith, Richard Smith, Coach Barnes. Second row: Joe Smith, Phil Estle, Ernest Troth, Elwood Blevins. Third row: Chuck Hoover, Jimmy Smith, Conner Smith.



# BASKETBALL



*Donnie  
Ward*



*Francis  
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*Kim  
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*J.C. Bishop*

*Bill Miller*



December	2	PRHS	47	Wellsville	42
	5	PRHS	35	Moran	49
	9	PRHS	46	Prescott	80
	12	PRHS	52	Mound City	58
January	6	PRHS	60	Blue Mound	51
	9	PRHS	34	LaCygne	28
	16	PRHS	46	Uniontown	60
	30	PRHS	77	Kincaid	38
February	6	PRHS	75	Parker	49
	9	PRHS	59	Fulton	50
	17	PRHS	70	LaCygne	36
	20	PRHS	40	Prescott	84

## League Tournament, January 20-23

PRHS	44	Blue Mound	34
PRHS	38	Prescott	78
PRHS	50	Mound City	55

## District Tournament, February 24-27

PRHS	73	Kincaid	47
PRHS	62	Mound City	47
PRHS	38	Uniontown	57



# TRACK



Our track team was running so fast this spring that we weren't able to get a picture of them. We did, however, learn that they entered several track meets and were very successful. Among the competitions they participated in were the Ottawa Relays, April 4; Kansas Relays, April 17; League Track Meet, April 30; Pittsburg Relays, in May and the Fort Scott Track Meet for High Schools.





# *FROM THE BLEACHERS*



Marion



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Fred



Kay



Joyce Marie



Larry & Charlene



Leonard



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Bill M.



Francis



Phyllis



Francile



Donna



# JUNIOR PLAY



## "ANNIE GET YOUR GUN"

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Donnie Ward

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Ginny Brash, Joyce Carpenter; Peg Shipman, Donna Robinson; Gail Stevens, Charlene Courtois; Jane Held, Joyce Searl; Eleanor De Witt, Dettie McChesney; Cresson, Barbara Griffith; Bushelman, Dorothy Maloney; Frankel, Marsha Hoag; New Girl, Sharon Cox.

## ELMER

Elmer, Fred Laudan; Elmer's Mother, Barbara Griffith; Janie, Joyce Carpenter; Jeannie, Joyce Searl; Susie, Mary Hoover; Mrs. Pinney, Dorothy Maloney; Fannie Bell, Maxine Pointer; Hubert, Jim Hayes; Walter, Donnie Ward; Martin, Robert Arnold.  
STAGE MANAGER, Blayne Camp

DIRECTOR, Lucille James; ASSISTANT DIRECTORS, Donna Robinson, Dettie McChesney.



## *CHUCK WAGON GANG*



Left to Right: Harry Carpenter; Mrs. Ester Reed; Mrs. Chuck Courtois; Mrs. Eva Beggs; Mrs. Cristine Griffin; Lee Griffin

## *MEN OF THE LONG DRIVE*



Left to Right: Max Dalton; Herb Hoover; H.R. Thomas; Wayne Stone





Rosemary



Kay



Brenda



Mari Jean



Paddy



Joyce



Diane



Barbara, Robert



Vanetta



Leola



Judy



Mari Jean, Chuck



Ronda, Richard



## *JUNIOR BAND*



First row: Chapman, R. Cummins, P. Hoag, Priest, N. Hoag, F. Cox, Thomas, C. Troth, Heiser, L. Hamilton, Sellers, Riley. Second row: J. Murray, A. Stillwaugh, Sisson, L. Murray, Branstedder, James, Kipper, M. Murray, D. Hall, George, Edds, B. Hamilton. Third row: Mr. Wood, Moore, Wiles, Wheelock, Gumm, R. Troth, J. Hamilton, Fultz, Cox, Masters, D. Staton, G. Leonard. Fourth row: B. Hall, Parker, Johnson, Pointer, S. Cummins, Reinsch, T. Stillwaugh, Fyock, McNabb, Courtois, McChesney, B. Leonard.

## *NEXT YEAR'S PERFORMERS 8th GRADE*



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